BEFORE THE IOWA WORKERS' COMPENSATION COMMISSIONER

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CHRYSTAL VINALL-WILLIAMS,

Claimant, :

: File No. 5068588.01

vs. :

USF HOLLAND, : ALTERNATE MEDICAL CARE

Employer, : CONSENT ORDER

OLD REPUBLIC INSURANCE CO.,

Insurance Carrier, : HEAD NOTE NO: 2701

Defendants. :

This is a contested case, alternate medical care, proceeding under lowa Code chapters 85 and 17A. The expedited procedure of rule 876 IAC 4.48 is invoked by claimant, Chrystal Vinall-Williams. The alternate medical care claim was scheduled for telephone hearing on March 31, 2020.

Prior to the commencement of the hearing, defendants' attorney indicated that defendants consent to provide additional medical care through Des Moines Orthopaedic Surgeons, either through the previously authorized surgeon or through a different provider at the clinic, if necessary. Defendants agreed to provide care for the bilateral wrist and bilateral knee injuries asserted. Defendants noted difficulties in communicating with the medical providers, which is likely due to the Covid-19 pandemic situation currently affecting lowa.

The undersigned proposed this consent order in lieu of a formal hearing. All parties consented to the entry of a consent order and the alternate medical care hearing was cancelled.

ORDER

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED:

Defendants shall communicate with Des Moines Orthopaedic Surgeons and schedule an evaluation with a qualified medical provider at that facility to evaluate and treat claimant's bilateral wrists and bilateral knees.

The provider selected can be the surgeon that has already evaluated and treated claimant, or if necessary, a different provider or providers with qualifications to treat claimant's wrists and knees.

Said evaluation(s) shall be scheduled to occur as soon as is practicable given the current pandemic and social distancing protocols.

Signed and filed this __31st ___ day of March, 2020.

WILLIAM H. GRELL DEPUTY WORKERS' COMPENSATION COMMISSIONER

The parties have been served, as follows:

Tammy Gentry (via WCES)

Caitlin Kilburg (via WCES)